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Application No. 10/081,580 Response to Final Office Action Customer No. 01933

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Kouji TANAKA et al Applicant(s):

Serial No. 10/081,580

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For PROTEIN CHIP HOLDING TOOL

Art Unit 1743

Examiner : Jyoti Nagpaul

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed June 28, 2005, the term for response to which expires on September 28, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-5 are canceled; claim 6 is amended; and claims 7-10 are maintained.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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Amendment (8)

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents on the date noted below.

Nalini P. Sahadeo

Dated: September 28,

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not tendered by form PTO-2038 attached hereto, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378.